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To promote his new album 'Believe Acoustic,' Metro and Justin Bieber have teamed up to offer one lucky reader backstage passes to his show It's our Valentine's Day gift to you For details and an exclusive interview, read on {pages 10-14}

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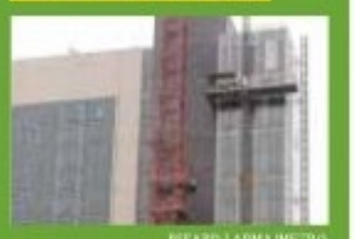

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Arson at Temple dorm construction site

PHILADELPHIA. Arson caused upwards of $100,000 in property damages to the $216 million, 27-floor residence hall rising from Temple University on North Broad Street, federal officials said. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives officials said the agency is investigating five fires set at the construction site between Monday and Tuesday. The fires were lit on five different floors as construction crews worked on the building. Three employees were treated and released from the hospital. METRO

Local tweet

"changed my mind, I want a valentine now, and by that I mean I want someone to give me candy."

JEN GRAY, @JENGRAY, ON THE REAL WAY TO A GIRL'S HEART – CHOCOLATE

In the news

FACEBOOK

Camara

Pa. woman lets her son, 3, pump gas

LANCASTER COUNTY. A Lancaster woman is charged with child welfare endangerment for allegedly instructing her 3-year-old son to pump gas. According to a criminal complaint filed Tuesday, Manheim Township Police responded to a Giant-To-Go around 9:15 p.m. on Jan. 19 for a report of a toddler pumping gas into a black Toyota Rav4 with Pennsylvania tags.

The car was no longer in the lot when officers arrived, but a witness told them he saw a woman instructing a "very young child" how to fill up the tank. He said the boy at one point sprayed himself with gasoline because he pulled out the pump before releasing the handle. Investigators said surveillance footage confirmed the witness account. Investigators traced the car's plate number to Theresa Moran Camara, 46. Police caught up with Camara on Jan. 29, and she allegedly admitted to the incident. She was charged on Tuesday and is awaiting a preliminary hearing. METRO

Teen gets life sentence for 2010 murder

PHILADELPHIA. A judge yesterday sentenced 17-year-old Radames Sanabria to life in prison without the possibility of parole for the 2010 murder of a 14-year-old Fairhill boy.

Sanabria allegedly became involved in an argument with victim Jerome Carlyle Jr. and pulled out a gun less than a minute after the two began exchanging words. METRO

No dream date for V-Day? The Net will get you through

Singles turn to the Web for companionship on Valentine's ◐ Cheaters also look for some love

It wasn't long ago that Valentine's Day was reserved for starry-eyed lovers. Crazy kids everywhere, thanks to Hallmark, circled Feb. 14 on their calendars for a night of romance.

While local restaurants will be packed with hopeless romantics tonight, there are also other options. Valentine's Day has become a prime party night for single people — and the day after, well, that is reserved for cheaters.

AshleyMadison.com, the website for people looking to cheat on their spouses, released data proving their busiest day for sign-ups is Feb. 15.

Founder Noel Biderman noted an overall surge in Philadelphia residents registering. The city boasted 35,487 new members in 2012, good enough to rank No. 8 in its list of America's Least Faithful Cities.

THINKSTOCK

The Internet was made for people feeling blue.

"That's a day when you're supposed to reflect on your relationship. If that day is negative, then a lot of people will decide ... to do something different." BIDERMAN

WhatsYourPrice.com, a website that allows males to bid on female companionship, also saw a rise in usage. The site recorded 369,000 date offers in the four weeks leading up to Valentine's Day, the most in any four-week span.

"No one wants to be alone," said spokesman Lee Velasquez. "Men are willing to go as far as putting their money where their heart is."

Strip clubs catering to V-Day crowd

Strip clubs are also getting into the Valentine's Day spirit.

Gone are the days of clubs lined with depressed, lonely single guys in business suits lazily shaking dollar bills at unenthused girls in G-strings. These days, strip clubs are seeing a rise in females and couples sitting stage-side.

"We cater to all — males, females, couples," said Patrick Meehan, manager of Cheerleaders Philadelphia and New Jersey. "We want to make sure everyone that comes in is in a good mood."

Singles parties

- **The University of Pennsylvania** is hosting **"The Vagina Monologues"** at the Irvine Auditorium (3401 Spruce St.) on Friday and Saturday starting at 8 p.m. The show seeks to "educate and titillate."
- **Trestle Inn**, the old go-go joint near Chinatown (339 N 11th St.), is hosting its **Fascination party** Thursday night, where DJ Snakpak works the 1's and 2's and singles are welcome to ogle the Barbarella-clad dancers.
- **In the mood for some burlesque?** Then swing on down to World Cafe Live (3025 Walnut St.) on Friday night for the famed **Peek-a-Boo Revue**, Philly's premiere neo-burlesque show. Doors open at 7 p.m., show starts at 8:30.
- **For those seeking a more R-rated adventure**, the Penthouse Club (3001 Castor Ave.) is encouraging couples to enjoy a sensual night out. They are offering free admission for ladies, table-side massages and half-off champagne bottle service. Thursday only.

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Religion. Ash Wednesday

Priests annoint the foreheads of passing Catholics with ash.

BERARD LARMA/METRO

Tending the flock, wherever it may be

A local priest spread the sign of the cross on passing foreheads in Center City yesterday. Rev. Ethan Alexander Jewett of Saint Clement's Church stood on the corner of Chestnut and 19th streets for more than two hours, blessing passersby who weren't able to attend annual Ash Wednesday services. METRO

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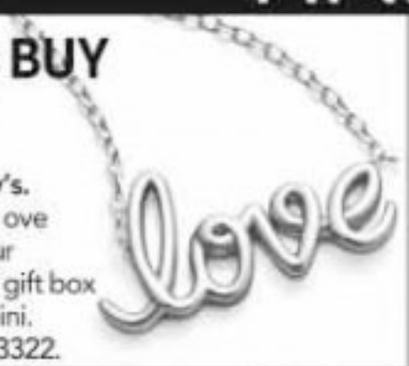

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News in brief

Short lines on first day of Phillies ticket sales

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▶ Paula Bryan waits in line.

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA. Paula Bryan and Vanessa Roberts were the only two fans man enough to wait in line all night for Phillies tickets.

"Women rule!" Bryan said, as the ladies sat wrapped in blankets and knit hats outside of Citizens Bank Park yesterday for first crack at Phillies single-game tickets.

Bryan, of Delaware County, was first in line at 7:15 p.m. This was her first adventure waiting for tickets. Roberts relieved her friend Reggie Lewis, who stayed from 8:15 p.m. until 1 a.m., and stayed until the tickets went on sale at 8:30 a.m.

Roberts said she couldn't believe the low turnout.

"I was thinking the Internet and maybe Ash Wednesday [caused low turnout] but other people are saying it's people jumping off the bandwagon."

Former Phillies pitcher Tommy Greene bought Bryan her first tickets for withstanding the cold.

"We had to brush icicles off her nose," Greene quipped. METRO/TR

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Police nab 18 in Bensalem school district corruption

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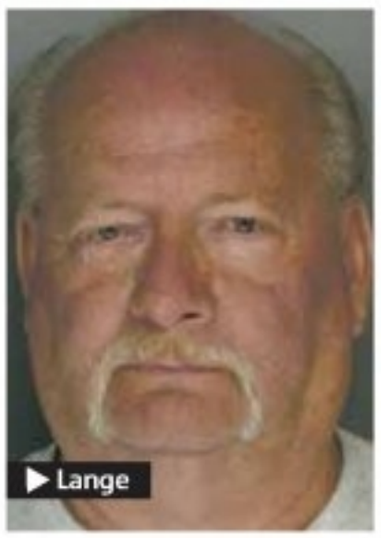

▶ Lange

▶ Chapell

Bensalem Township Police yesterday announced the arrest of 18 people — many of them past or current Bensalem School District employees — accused of cheating taxpayers out of $1.5 million in two separate schemes.

Four members of the School District's grounds crew were charged with theft and conspiracy in connection with what police are calling a "ghost employee" ring.

Grounds crew foreman Joseph Dyer allegedly clocked in daily for several employees who never showed up for work, including his wife Shannon. Those employees were paid for shifts they never completed. One employee was allegedly absent for up to three years while continuing to collect.

As a result of a separate investigation, 14 people were charged for allegedly participating in an elaborate scheme involving in the theft and resale of Bensalem School District vehicles, bus tires, batteries and auto repair and replacement parts from the District's bus garage.

Some of those charged also allegedly gave junkyards school vehicles in return for favors and ordered classic car parts on the School District's dime.

Also charged for failing to properly oversee operations is former School District business manager Jack Myers, who resigned.

It all started when ...

Police said investigation began with the August arrests of:

- School District mechanic Martin Chappell, 61
- Bus garage shop foreman Fred Lange, 68
- They were charged with theft and receiving stolen property.
- Lange alone allegedly resold more than $400,000 in stolen parts over a 10- to 14-year period.

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School district shoots back

"The Board and administration have not taken these unfortunate acts lightly and have worked diligently and proactively to put new controls and safeguards in place to identify and correct any and all shortcomings in district procedures to prevent these criminal acts from happening in the future," the Bensalem Township School District said in a statement responding to the allegations. "The taxpayers of Bensalem deserve to have full accountability of their tax dollars and the Board and administration are committed to ensuring that the students and taxpayers are protected and the laws of PA are fully enforced."

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United States, Europe Union start big talks on free trade

The United States and the European Union agreed yesterday to push for the launch by the end of June of talks to create the world's biggest free trade alliance, which could be a benchmark for global competitors to follow.

Such a deal would be the most ambitious attempted since the founding of the World Trade Organization in 1995, encompassing half the world's economic output and a third of global trade flows.

Speaking after the release of a joint U.S./EU report recommending the start of talks, Barroso said the two were expected to launch negotiations in the first half of the year.

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▶ European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso gestures during a press conference on the major transatlantic trade initiative.

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"These negotiations will set a standard ... for the development of global trade rules."

EUROPEAN COMMISSION PRESIDENT JOSE MANUEL BARROSO

The report's release comes a day after Pres-ident Barack Obama threw his weight behind a potential deal in his State of the union address, saying it would support millions of good-paying American jobs. **REUTERS**

0.5%

The report sees a deal boosting the European Unions's economy by around 0.5 percent and the U.S. economy about 0.4 percent by 2027.

Tough talks ahead: EU boss

EU Trade Commissioner Karel De Gucht has warned that the talks will be tough, with no "low-hanging fruit." Import tariffs between the two are already low — at an average of 4 percent. Negotiations will focus on harmonizing standards, from car seat belts to cleaning products and service regulations. De Gucht said the talks should be wrapped up in two years.

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▶ De Gucht

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According to the report, a deal would add $115 billion to the E.U. economy and 65 billion euros to the U.S. economy each year.

▶ U.S. poultry

Agricultural mud

One of the key sticking points is likely to be agriculture. When a transatlantic trade deal was suggested in 1998, it was shot down by France, which feared the European Union could be forced into concessions on farm trade. The U.S. has long been frustrated with EU restrictions on U.S. farm products such as GMOs, poultry treated with chlorine washes and meat from animals fed with growth stimulant ractopamine. In an early sign of EU reticence, Barroso said they would not compromise consumer health.

"We will not negotiate changes that we do not want of the basic rules on either side, be it on hormones or GMOs," he said. The U.S. does not want a repeat of the Doha round of world trade talks, which began in 2001 and have never concluded. **REUTERS**

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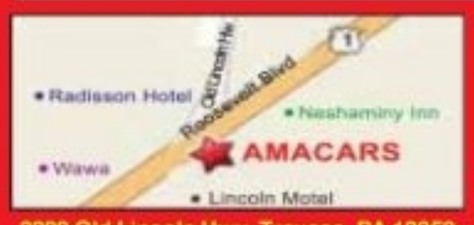

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Time Warner Inc. reportedly seeking buyers for iconic magazines like Time, SI, EW

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Time Warner Inc. is seeking to sell its publishing unit Time Inc. and has met with at least one serious buyer, Fortune magazine reported, citing unnamed sources.

A meeting with a potential buyer was scheduled yesterday, the report said, adding that talks are still in formative stages.

A Time Warner spokesman said the company does not comment on the speculation.

Time Inc. is the publisher of magazine titles like People, Sports Illustrated, InStyle, Entertainment Weekly, Fortune and its namesake newsweekly.

In one possible outcome, the buyer would get most of Time Inc.'s titles, while Time Warner would retain three magazines: Time, Sports Illustrated and Fortune, the report said.

In 2012, revenue at Time Inc. dropped 7 percent to $3.4 billion because of declines in advertising and subscription revenue. Operating income fell 25 percent for the same period. **REUTERS**

TV growth

The company's television business, which includes HBO and other cable networks, has been generating most of its growth. Affiliate fees — the money paid by cable companies to carry the company's programming — helped earnings top analysts' estimates last quarter.

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In 2012, revenue at Time Inc. dropped 7 percent to $3.4 billion on declines in advertising sales and magazine subscription revenue. Operating income fell 25 percent for the same period.

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Time Inc. announced in January that it planned to cut about 500 jobs, or about 6 percent of the company's workforce.

In the news

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Fugitive ex-cop believed dead after gun battle, fire

ANGELUS OAKS, CALIF. The L.A. fugitive ex-cop accused of a grudge-fueled killing spree targeting police officers and their families is believed to have died in a mountain cabin that burned down in the climax to a massive weeklong manhunt across Southern California, authorities said yesterday.

Police were awaiting forensic analysis to confirm that charred human remains found in the smoldering ruins of the cabin were those of the 33-year-old fugitive, Christopher Dorner.

Authorities including Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa said the man, who had barricaded himself inside the cabin during a standoff with police on Tuesday in the snow-swept hills of the San Bernardino National Forest, was almost certainly Dorner. **METRO**

Study: Hyper parents can make college kids depressed

LONDON. Turbo-charged parents still running their college-aged children's schedules, laundry and vacations could be doing more harm than good, with a study showing that these students were more likely to be depressed and dissatisfied.

Researcher Holly Schiffrin from the University of Mary Washington in Virginia found that so-called helicopter parenting negatively affected college students by undermining their need to feel autonomous and competent. **REUTERS**

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▶ 2013's favorite fare

Diners plan to eat out more, spend less in 2013

Penny-pinching diners plan to eat out more this year and spend less on each meal, according to a new forecast released by consulting firm AlixPartners yesterday. Those intentions threaten to squeeze restaurant operators, who are grappling with rising costs for beef and other popular ingredients as they increase spending on advertising and special deals to stay ahead of rivals in a brutally competitive industry. Traffic to restaurants should rise about 3 percent in 2013. Expected average spending per meal should fall 4.7 percent to $12.85 as diners seek out deals. **REUTERS**

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THE DAY'S NEWS AT A GLANCE

Quoted

"Thank you. Now let's return to prayer."

— Pope Benedict XVI, after a capacity crowd at St. Peter's Basilica gave him a thunderous standing ovation yesterday at an emotional last public Mass before he resigns at the the end of the month. The mass was moved to St. Peter's so more people could attend, but hundreds still had to wait outside.

CEO: Seamless to top $100M sales

Seamless will generate more than $100 million in revenue this year as the online food ordering service expands in new cities and benefits from a surge in mobile users, Chief Executive Jonathan Zabusky said. **REUTERS**

85 Millions made last year as its consumer side grew 60 percent

Emu heist baffles wildlife park

The theft of a full-grown emu from an Australian wildlife park this week has left only a pile of feathers at the scene of the crime and questions about the motive for snatching an ungainly bird with practically no cash value. **REUTERS**

Birdnapped!

Tax collection at any cost: IRS paid $125M to '12 whistleblowers

The Internal Revenue Service paid a record $125.4 million in 2012 to whistleblowers who provided evidence of tax cheating, including a massive payout to a former employee of Swiss bank UBS AG, according to an IRS report made public yesterday.

The IRS whistleblower program has been criticized for moving too slowly and putting inadequate resources behind its efforts, causing whistleblowers to grow reluctant to file claims. The program was overhauled by Congress in 2006 amid such criticism. The report marks an increase in awards paid from $8 million in 2011. A public hearing is likely to be scheduled on the program's rules. **REUTERS**

This little tin whistle is the best investment he ever made.

Jackpot

The IRS paid $104M to Bradley Birkenfeld, a former employee of UBS AG.

▶ He helped wealthy Americans hide millions of dollars in secret Swiss accounts and later told the IRS.

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Number of new whistleblowers, which rose in fiscal 2012 from 314 in 2011 but fell short of 2009's 472. The IRS spent an average of 1,141 days evaluating each award payout.

$8M

Awards paid in 2011. The IRS also reported a jump in collections of previously unpaid taxes and penalties, from the program, up to $592.5 million last year from $48 million in 2011.

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JUSTIN BIEBER: 'BELIEBE' IN LOVE!

Enter Metro's Valentine's Day contest for a chance to meet singer Justin Bieber
Warning: The competition is fierce 'I get a lot of marriage proposals,' he says

Enter Metro's Justin Bieber contest, and you'll have a chance to meet him backstage at a future show (see details on this page). Alas, we weren't so lucky. But the superstar did answer some questions about his new album, "Believe Acoustic," via e-mail, shortly before heading out on his European tour.

On "Believe Acoustic," you sound rawer and more available than on previous big production tracks. How do you make that intimacy sound authentic, even though you're ... Justin Bieber?
It sounds authentic because it is. Acoustic performances, whether busking in my hometown or on YouTube, are how I got started. Songs and performances like that really give me the chance to connect with my fans. That connection is why I perform an acoustic set as part of my Believe Tour every night.

Does this bring us closer to the "real" Justin?
I think everything I put out is a representation of the real me. But this album definitely allows the public to see a different side of me than "Believe." The sound of this album is a lot rawer and more exposed.

I ask because previous stars your age — Justin Timberlake, Britney Spears — usually start to define their sound for an older audience around this time. Where are you going?
I'm just growing up and my sound is maturing with me. I don't spend a lot of time planning where my music will go next. I just write about what is going on in my life and how I am feeling, and it's causing the music to grow with me in a very organic way.

Lots of guys in dorm rooms everywhere play acoustic guitars to pick up girls ... and fail, because they look cheesy. What tips do you have for them?
Be confident.

What are you doing this Valentine's Day?
I've got a small break before my U.K. tour dates start, so I'm still figuring it out.

What's the wildest offer that you've had from a fan?
I get a lot of marriage proposals.

We have to ask about "Nothing Like Us," a song about your breakup with Selena Gomez. You told Billboard you're not in the happiest place and have friends to get you through. What have you learned about relationships?
I have learned a lot about who I am and who I want to be.

And?
I've also learned how to be there for someone else.

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Quoted

"I'm just growing up and my sound is maturing with me. I just write about what is going on in my life."

JUSTIN BIEBER, WHOSE NEW ALBUM IS "BELIEVE ACOUSTIC"

Here's how Metro readers can enter:

1 Readers photograph themselves with this Metro Love Issue in a place they'd take Bieber on a date.

2 They upload the photo to Metro's Facebook "I BELIEBE IN LOVE" app.

Entrants choose the Metro Facebook page of the city closest to them ("Metro Boston," "Metro New York" or "Metro Philly"). The app will be a featured tab on each city's page.

3 Entrants solicit votes for their photo by generating "likes." The more "likes" a photo gets, the better the chances of being selected as a winner! Contest entrants can gather more votes via Twitter using the hashtag #IBeliebeInLove and the handles of each Metro US city (@metronewyork, @MetroBOS and @MetroPhilly).

4 The winner's experience will be covered globally in Metro.

Bieber's V-Day playlist

Justin creates his ultimate romantic mixtape — fire up the iTunes and turn down the lights.

- **"I'll Make Love To You"** Boyz II Men
- **"As Long As You Love Me"** Justin Bieber ft. Big Sean
- **"You Are Not Alone"** Michael Jackson
- **"7 Days"** Craig David
- **"Back at One"** Brian McKnight
- **"Climax"** Usher
- **"Because of You"** Ne-Yo
- **"Let's Get it On"** Marvin Gaye
- **"Best I Ever Had"** Drake
- **"Bless the Broken Road"** Rascal Flatts

Ne-Yo

LOVE IN 2013

We asked six people, in different generations, for their take on romance and being in love Here's what they had to say about 'textual chemistry' and more

If you're romantically interested in someone, how do you let them know?

Glenn Best, 28: I'm fairly straightforward. I'm not afraid to tell somebody if I'm interested in them. I've been in enough relationships to date that I just go for what I want.

Rachel Remz, 31: I generally act like a crazy person and talk to them nonstop. I just start talking them nonstop about anything.

Alice Barlow, 29: I get really drunk and let them know in a really sloppy way.

Best: I wouldn't be afraid to also become physical with someone I was into if I thought if they were open to it as well. I think it's a nice way to let someone know.

Frank Marchesa, 45: I don't know. It's been too long, I've been married for 21 years.

John Killian, 61: Well, I've been married 40 years. I was Homecoming king for my high school, and I had to have a date. I was very shy, and I thought I'd ask the one girl who'd say no so I could get out of it. She said yes, and she's my wife.

While you're dating that person, how do you tell them you love them?

Marchesa: I guess I just said it. It's nothing special.

George Haeberlein, 67: It just came out one time. I think it was unplanned, spontaneous.

Remz: It's usually we're drunk, and I'll be like, "Oh my God, I love you" when were making out.

Barlow: I do the stupidest, cheesiest girl thing. It will be after we have sex, and I'll be all cute and say "I love you."

Killian: Well, for me it was probably to have sex. I had to say that before I could get it.

What's the way you communicate most with a lover?

Killian: Still on the phone. I travel a lot. I don't do the Facebook with her or anything like that.

Marchesa: Call and see her in person. A lot of phone calls, too.

Remz: I'm a texter. I text people all the time. Even my friends know if I'm into a dude, you will get 1 million texts from me. And now I'll Instagram them all the time. I'll Instagram at them.

Barlow: It's in person for me. If I'm dating someone, all day, every day there's a lot of texting going on, but then I try to hang out with them in person.

Best: I would say in person. I'm very much a face-to-face person. Texting would be a close second, I would say.

How do you know when you're in love?

Haeberlein: We know each other so well, we can anticipate. You don't have to say things at times: You just do it.

Marchesa: I guess it comes down to when you want to be around the person all the time. That's pretty much it.

Killian: [It's] knowing that you want to be with that person when you're not with them and looking forward to seeing them when you're not with them.

Best: It's very emotional thing. I think that's what love is. You can think and overthink it. I just listen to my emotions. It's something you can feel.

Remz: For me it's that sinking feeling. You know how I know? They are incredibly wrong; they do incredibly terrible things. It's just awful — and I will just go for it.

Do you text?

"Texting has made it less romantic. I think, 'This is a guy who I could be interested in,' and then we text all the time. Then, in person there's just no ... textual chemistry." REMZ, 31

Why tell someone you're in love?

"Well, for me it was probably to have sex. I had to say that before I could get it." KILLIAN, 61

App that

Bang with Friends Connect with your Facebook friends—carnally. This new app keeps your crushes private, unless your crush wants to sleep with you, too. Bonus: It recently released an option for gays, after much criticism.

Barlow: I know when I stop calling my friends.

How does texting affect romance?

Remz: I think [texting] has made it less romantic. I think, "This is a guy who I could be interested in," and then we text all the time. Then, in person there's just no … textual chemistry.

Barlow: It's made it way too controlled. Before you would say things and then you'd say, "Oh s—, did I say something weird? Did I mess it up?" Now like everything is so planned and controlled because of text messages. It's made it a lot more safe and not as fun. The fun is in the risk.

Best: I think that it changes the face-to-face interaction because you can actually be in touch with someone anytime you want constantly.

Killian: It's opened up new horizons, but it's very impersonal.

Haeberlein: You don't have that much contact.

Best: Constantly being able to connect with people anytime kind of lowers the pressure that exists in the moment in person.

Is romance dead?

Barlow: Hell to the yes.

Remz: I am weirdly, outwardly the least hopelessly romantic person you will ever meet, but I do believe romance is alive. I think people do sweet things for you. It's unbelievable when somebody does it.

Marchesa: It just doesn't seem the same. The technology kills it. Facebook killed it all. Spontaneity is the most important thing in a relationship. Going out to dinner, just jumping in a car and going on vacation. Just something, going away for a weekend. I don't think that happens anymore.

Q&A

Do you think older people are more or less romantic than your generation?

Remz: Kind of both, because there's a certain level of our generation where everything's temporary because of the Internet.

Best: I think they're different times, different explanations. It was a different type of courtship, and I do think it was more romantic.

Remz: [In] our parent's generation, people stayed together and they went through the hard times together. Now if there's a hard time you bail.

Do you think young people are more or less romantic than your generation?

Killian: I think it was more about the courting and dating [in my day] than about meeting people with groups.

Haeberlein: It's much more difficult than it used to be — well not difficult, but different. You don't form a bond.

Marchesa: I don't think they get it, to be honest with you. They don't get the whole thing.

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The lost art of the love letter

With some schools no longer teaching cursive, the art of the handwritten note is rare these days That's why it's so special

Want to get lucky this Valentine's Day? Try writing a love letter. You could even do it on actual, you know, letterhead. We're talking about putting pen to paper.

In the Facebook era, it's the height of romance "because there is a certain level of effort behind love letters, especially because we're so wired today," Dr. Azadeh Aalai, a psychology professor at Montgomery College. "If you're sending a text, you don't know if it's being sent to multiple people. How many people even known the addresses of their friends and acquaintances?"

Records of love letters have been found as far back as Ancient Egypt, and as recently as every other pop song. Throughout the ages, what connects all good love letters is their ability to flatter the recipient and reveal how the sender feels about that special someone. Most importantly, the most effective ones have been penned by hand.

"People still appreciate having something tangible," Tracy Steinberg, a dating coach and flirting expert based in New York, said. "I'm not dismissing the value of a sweet text or e-mail, but there is something nice about having a letter that your lover gave you."

Quoted

"I'm not dismissing the value of a sweet text or e-mail, but there is something nice about having a letter that your lover gave you."
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Science supports this. Aalai said that there's a different psychological connection made when a person sees a written signature versus a typed name. Also, the shorthand and acronyms we use while typing don't hold the same "prose and beauty" of the written word.

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▶ It's sealed with a kiss.

Try and you shall succeed

Dianne Gottsman, a national etiquette expert and the owner of the Protocol School of Texas in San Antonio (yes, that place really exists), paralleled the difference between a handwritten love letter and an e-mailed one to showing up to a date with your hair combed and a clean shirt versus showing up with messy hair and a wrinkled shirt you've been wearing all day long.

▶ "For a special occasion, it feels much better to receive something that you've put in more effort." Or you could just fill out the form letter, at right.

Use this

Mad Libs love letter?

Still stuck on what to write? New York dating coach and flirting expert Tracy Steinberg came up with a form letter that might help you out. Just use as many appropriate adjectives where suggested.

NAME OF PERSON,

I've been thinking about you a lot lately and how grateful I am that you are in my life. I'm actually crazy in love with you. I still remember when we first met at _____ and how excited I was to have met such a (beautiful, charming, brilliant, hysterically funny and/or kind) person. You were the most _____ and you still are today. As I get to know you better, my feelings for you have deepened and my appreciation for your _____ has as well. You are _____ and I love that you _____. I will love you every day for the rest of my life.

Love,
YOUR NAME

The secret is revealed: What women really want

▶ Future father?

If you thought a cute smile, big guns and the keys to a shiny sports car was enough to seduce the girl of your dreams, think again. Being Mr. Nice Guy may not cut it either. What women really want is ... someone to be a good father?

Since women bear the brunt of reproduction, they become very choosy about their potential mating partners, according to evolutionary psychologist Dr. Nick Neave. They tend to "select" a male in relation to their own background, experiences and the kind of relationship they are after.

"Each women is different. But given a choice, there are general physical, behavioral and psychological characteristics that they gravitate toward," he explains.

Here's the process:

Stage 1: Unconscious evaluations

▶ **Understanding the forces of attraction:** A weave of factors are at play when it comes to establishing the attraction: "Within seconds, a woman will have evaluated a male's reproductive fitness and his ability to contribute to a household," Sheri Jacobsen, Clinical Director and Senior Psychotherapist at Harley Therapy in London, tells Metro. "And she won't even be aware of these thoughts. They're instinctive. She wants any child she may bring into this world to be fit and healthy and live in comfort."

▶ **Physical factors:** "Generally, all women like a man to be relatively muscular and broad shouldered (in relation to his hips). Overall symmetry of both facial features and the body are preferred. Very rarely do they fall for men who are shorter than themselves," says Dr Neave. "Women also appreciate the more obvious signs of masculinity such as a beard and a deep voice."

▶ **Social factors:** Social Psychologist Dr. Justin J. Lehmiller explains how women tend to be attracted to men with "status and resources," a theory also backed by Jacobsen. Women will unconsciously be ranking a potential mate in terms of security: "A women's brain will be picking up on all exterior signs of status. Is his profession respectable? Is he well-dressed? Does he drive a nice car? Can he provide for me financially?" MWN

App that

▶ **Sonar.** One of many, many location-based dating apps, this one links to your Twitter, Foursquare and other social media accounts, making it easier for potential love interests to stalk you, judge you and generally act like a real-life girlfriend.

Stage 2:

Playing for keeps

Surface evaluations: Jacobsen explains how "looks, mannerisms and personality" establish the attraction between a man and a woman. These are matched up against the woman's preferences, which have most likely been shaped by earlier relationships.

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Q&A: Worst Valentine's Day gift?

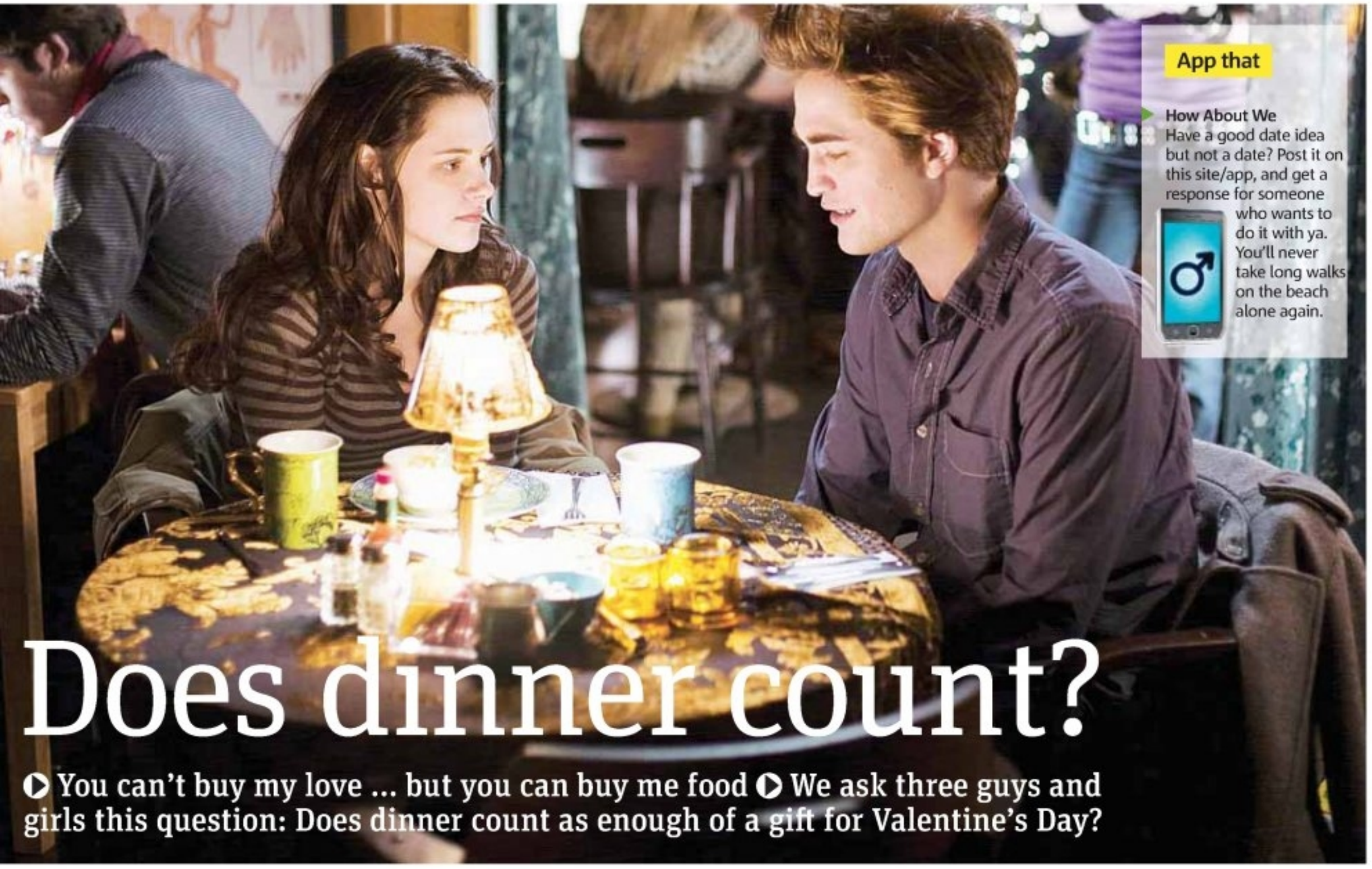
"Someone wrote song lyrics to me: 'You've had a lotta dick Chasey/But you ain't had mine.'" MILNE

Q&A: Is dinner a gift?

"Yes, it's enough of a gift for Valentine's Day because it's expensive and I'm tight." ARTHEY

On Valentine's Day romance:

"You know, it's been eight years, so it's not very special these days." NEWTON



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Does dinner count?

You can't buy my love ... but you can buy me food We ask three guys and girls this question: Does dinner count as enough of a gift for Valentine's Day?

Laura Milne

Voiceover agent, 28

Does dinner count as enough of a gift for Valentine's Day?
"Personally, I'd say yes because I think too much thought goes into this. Being taken out for dinner is a lovely gesture."
Does a man have to pay though?
"It's whoever instigates the dinner, so not necessarily."
Instigates? That doesn't sound very romantic?
"I'm very romantic. I wouldn't be averse to splitting a bill. If I say to someone 'I'm taking you out for dinner,' I'd pay. If I'm invited out, I'd presume that they'd pay."
What's been your worst Valentine's gift?
"Someone wrote song lyrics to me."
What was it?
"'The Ballad of Chasey Lain' by the Bloodhound Gang." [Sings]
"'You've had a lotta dick
Had a lotta dick
I've had a lotta time
Had a lotta time
You've had a lotta dick Chasey
But you ain't had mine.'"
Who did that?
"I don't know. It was bad."
Is there pressure to have sex on Valentine's Day?
"Yeah, absolutely — it's Valentine's Day."
You must be thinking, "Every time I get taken out, I've got to have sex with them."
"If I'm going out with someone, yeah there's a bit of pressure. But it wouldn't necessarily be a bad thing. If I'm being bought dinner there's ... not an obligation." [Laughs]

Michael Arthey

Graphic designer, 25

Does dinner count as enough of a gift for Valentine's Day?
"Yes, it's enough of a gift for Valentine's Day because it's expensive and I'm tight. Food and wine is very expensive, and if you're going to take them for a nice meal – which you should – it's going to cost you a lot of money."
Has it got to be Michelin-starred?
"I wouldn't go that far, I'm only 25. But it has to be nicer than a Nando's [flamed-grilled chicken restaurant chain]."
Would you split the bill?
"I'd be tempted to ask for that, but I know the answer."
What's that?
"'F— off.'"
Do you get sex afterward?
"It depends how I feel. I might have a headache. It depends."
Any bad Valentine's experiences?
"Well, I didn't plan one year and I didn't get a table until about 10 o'clock at night in a pretty bad pub, and I bought her a Valentine's card that she didn't see the funny side of."
What did it say?
"'Happy F—ing Valentine's Day.'"
Did you get sex afterward?
No.

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Josie Newton

City worker, 26

Does dinner count as enough of a gift for Valentine's Day?
"As long as there's a card as well, yes."
Is that all there is to it?
"Well, when I first met Danny I bought a gift and a card and he didn't buy me anything — I was a bit offended."
What did you buy?
"I bought him a nice gift: a CD and some aftershave. And I didn't even get a card. But he took me for dinner which made up for it. I have since learned not to buy him anything, but he has since learned that he has to get me a card."
It's like training a dog, isn't it?
"A little bit. Dinner is always on him."
Do you actually care about Valentine's Day?
"No, but I do want to go out for a meal and get a card. I expect a meal and a card. Actually, we've stayed in on Valentine's Day and cooked before."
Did you "go dutch" on the cooking?
"Oh I can't remember."
So it wasn't that special then. What do you expect this year?
"A restaurant that I've booked because I like it and he's going to pay. We discussed a few places and we settled on one and I didn't not want to get a table. You know, it's been eight years, so it's not very special these days."
[Laughs]
Do you go home and read a book next to each other?
[Laughs] "Yeah, in silence."

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Hugh Jackman: Nope, not gay

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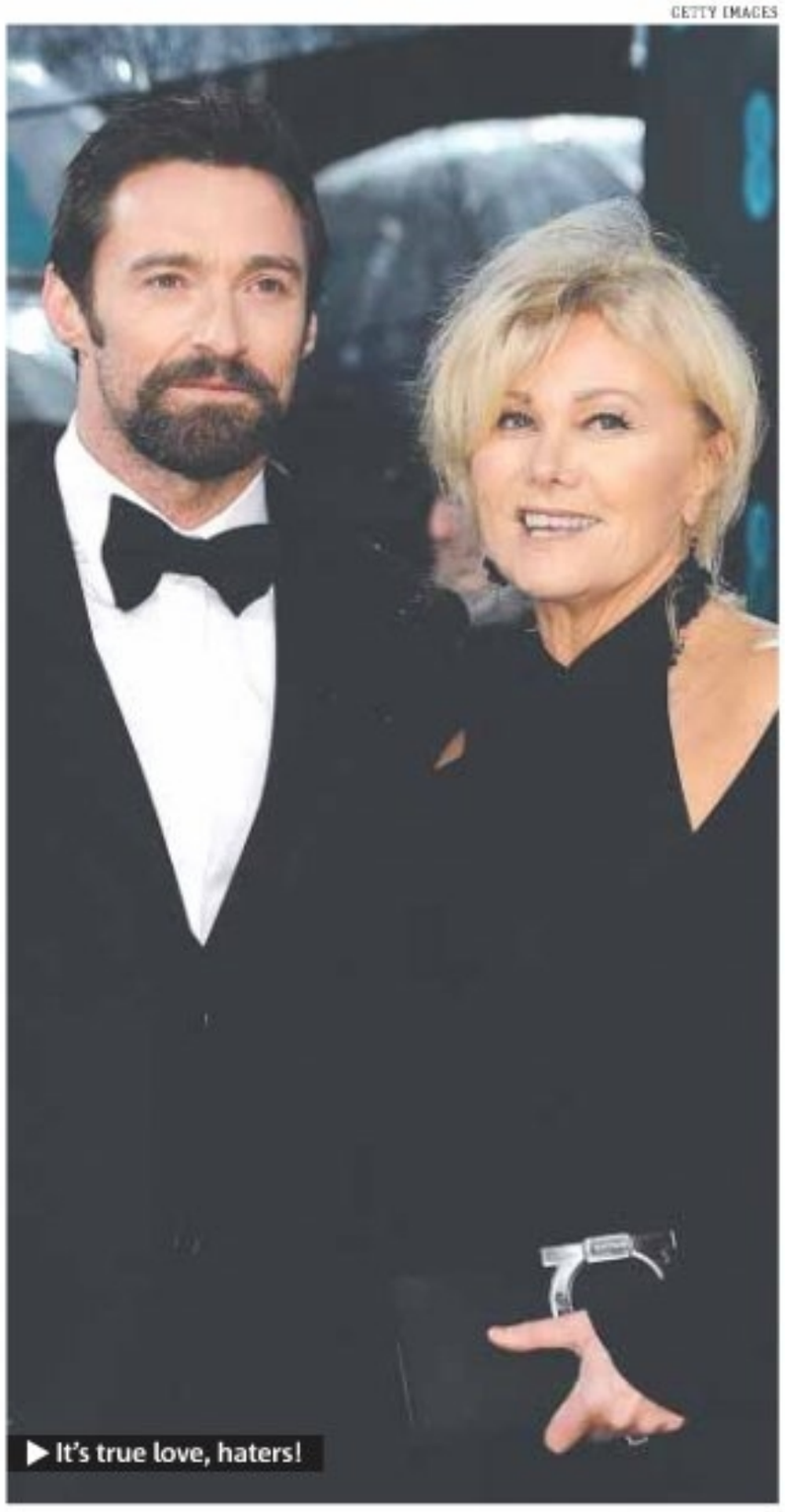

▶ It's true love, haters!

Just because he has a deep love of musical theater, lives in the West Village and has a slightly older wife does not make **Hugh Jackman** gay. In an in-depth interview with The Hollywood Reporter, the Australian star addressed the gay rumors that constantly swirl around him. "It bugs her," Jackman, 44, said about what his wife of 16 years, **Deborra-Lee Furness**, 57, reads online.

His "X-Men" producer **Lauren Shuler Donner** even went on record to talk about Jackman's marriage to Donner. "I have seen him with Deborra since the beginning of their trip to Hollywood, and I've been on five movie sets with him and have never seen him stray — have never seen him eye anyone," she said.

Doth thou protest too much? Who gets their producer on record to talk about the state of their marriage? See? I'm doing it too! Why can't we believe that a handsome, successful matinee idol can be happily in love with someone who doesn't fit into the Hollywood stereotype? Aren't we at the point where he could come out if he wanted to? Or am I just dreaming big here?

Quoted

"I met him when he did 'Oklahoma!' [at London's Royal National Theatre in 1999]. He was genuine, hugely talented. He was in love with his wife that day and still is."

DONNER, ON JACKMAN

No Bond for Jackman

Jackman on the roles he auditioned for but passed over for various reasons:

- He was offered Richard Gere's Oscar-nominated role in "Chicago" but decided he was too young for the part.
- He was offered the lead in "Drive" but was hesitant to work with director Nicolas Winding Refn.
- He didn't take on the James Bond franchise as he didn't want to get pigeonholed in action films (because, you know, he *is* Wolverine). "I thought it would box me in too much," he said.

Talking points

Willis cops to a former drinking problem

Bruce Willis admits he used to have a drinking problem, leading to a brief foray into complete sobriety, but he's past all that now. "I had been sober [for a while]," he tells GQ magazine, explaining that he eased off his personal prohibition "once I realized that I wasn't going to run myself off the pier of life with alcohol, drinking vodka out of the bottle every day." As for his current drinking habits? "I have wine now, mostly when I eat," he says.

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▶ Willis

Swift Grammy drama

Taylor Swift had more exes on her mind at the Grammys than just **Harry Styles**, whom she mocked during her performance of "We are Never Ever Getting Back Together." The lovelorn singer also made a point of avoiding ex-boyfriend **John Mayer** and his current squeeze, **Katy Perry**, despite being seated near each other, according to Us Weekly. And as for reports that Grammys organizers were ordered to keep Swift away from rival **Carrie Underwood**? "Taylor feels Carrie is always rude to her, so she steers clear of her," a source tells the magazine, pointing out that "after Carrie performed, Taylor didn't stand. Everyone else did."

Gaga's health condition postpones tour, per Twitter

Lady Gaga has postponed her next four concerts because a joint inflammation condition called synovitis has left her unable to walk, she revealed on Twitter. "I've been hiding a show injury and chronic pain for sometime now. Over the past month it has worsened," the singer tweeted. "I've been praying it would heal. I hid it from my staff, I didn't want to disappoint my amazing fans. However, after last night's performance I could not walk and still can't."

Cool dad alert: Steve Martin

Steve Martin reportedly became a dad for the first time when his 41-year-old wife, **Anne Stringfield**, "had a baby" in December, according to the New York Post, but the real story is that the 67-year-old comedian has managed to keep the story under wraps. "How they kept it a secret nobody knows," a source says. "Steve's very private. They are thrilled. They worked hard to have the baby." The pair was recently spotted with a baby in Los Angeles.

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The feed ...

▶ Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Emma Bunton is having Twitter trouble, Carrie Underwood is very close to her pets, Jim Carrey is troubled by all the gun violence and Adele is setting the record straight about her Grammys "spat."

@EmmaBunton
I've been hacked!!!!

@carrieunderwood
Why do dogs' paws smell like Fritos? More importantly, why do I love to smell my dogs' paws? These are a couple of life's big questions...

@JimCarrey
America has become the biggest gun club in the world and every single day now we are seeing that Karma played out.

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Chris Brown and I were complimenting each other in that photo actually!

Adele

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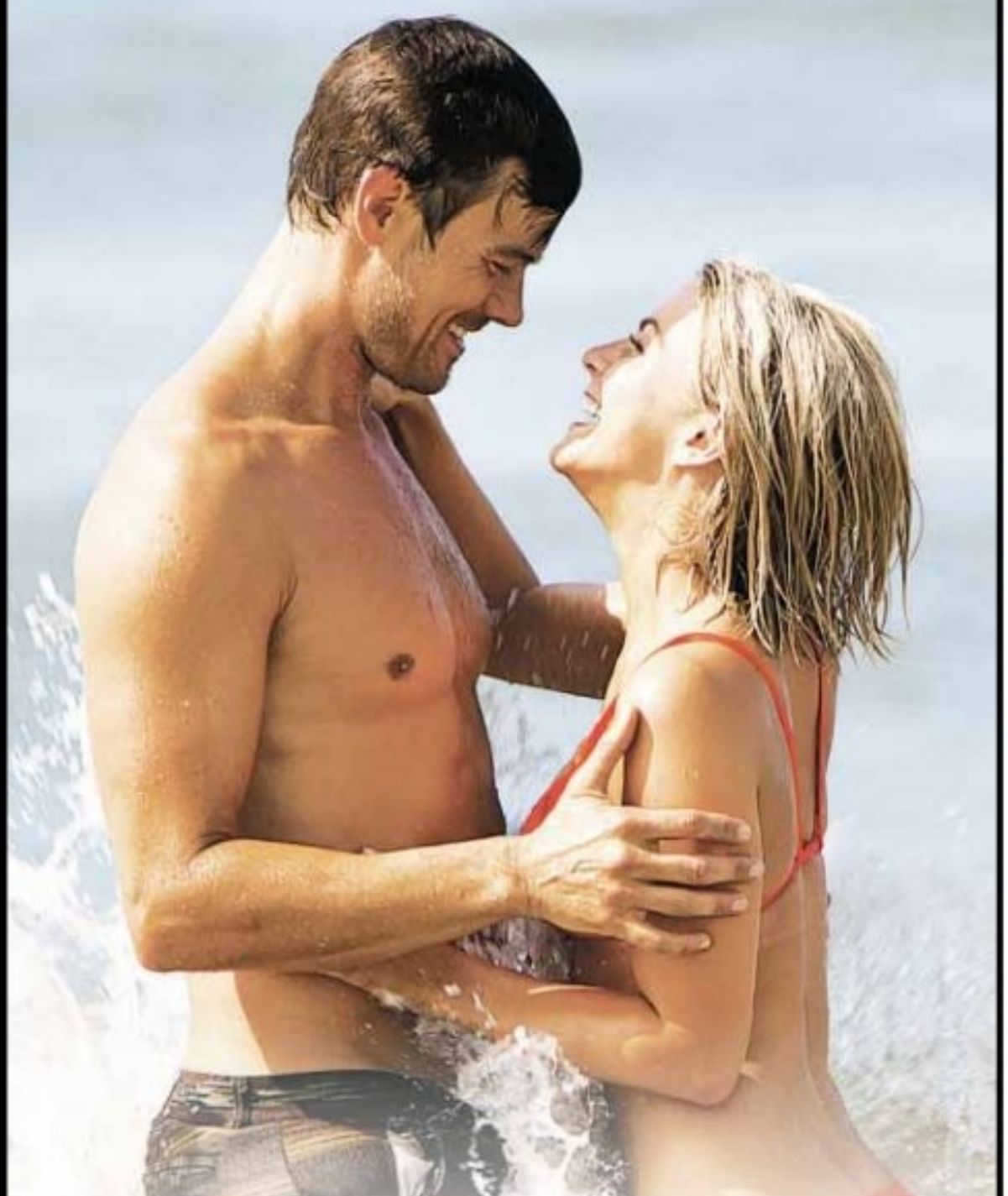

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We have a winner! Banana Joe, an affenpinscher, won Best of Show during the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show on Tuesday at Madison Square Garden. This week, he's getting the royal treatment: Yesterday, he was served a steak on a silver platter at Sardi's and got to visit the Empire State Building; today, he rang the opening bell at the New York Stock Exchange. It's a dog's life!

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"OK, Mom, I'm ready for my close-up!" Diogi, a Spinone Italiano, got a blowout pre-show.

JACK CRASSA

LOOK AT THIS TERRIER'S FACIAL FUR!

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This precious little fluff-ball, a bichon frise named Honor, was the nonsporting group winner at Tuesday's show.

From little fluffballs to big ones: An Old English sheepdog named Bugaboo's Picture Perfect was the herding group winner. A total of 2,721 dogs from 187 breeds and varieties competed at the show.

Tucker the cocker spaniel was going for the ABBA-meets-Farrah Fawcett look, it seems.

Latest 'Die Hard' entry dies hard

The fourquel to an '80s great lacks the original's wit, style or its star's relative youth

'A Good Day to Die Hard'
Genre: Action
Director: John Moore
Stars: Bruce Willis
Rating: R
Grade: ●●○○○

The original "Die Hard" is an '80s classic. A near perfect mix of action, humor and Bruce Willis' charisma, it is a claustrophobic thriller set inside an office building. Since then the movies have slowly opened up the action, becoming more generic with every added location. The new film sees Willis in Russia joining forces with his CIA operative son (Jai Courtney) on a dangerous mission involving a government whistleblower and WMDs.

It has exotic locations and a body count that would take a mathematician to calculate, but none of the wit or style of the first film. In this case, more is less.

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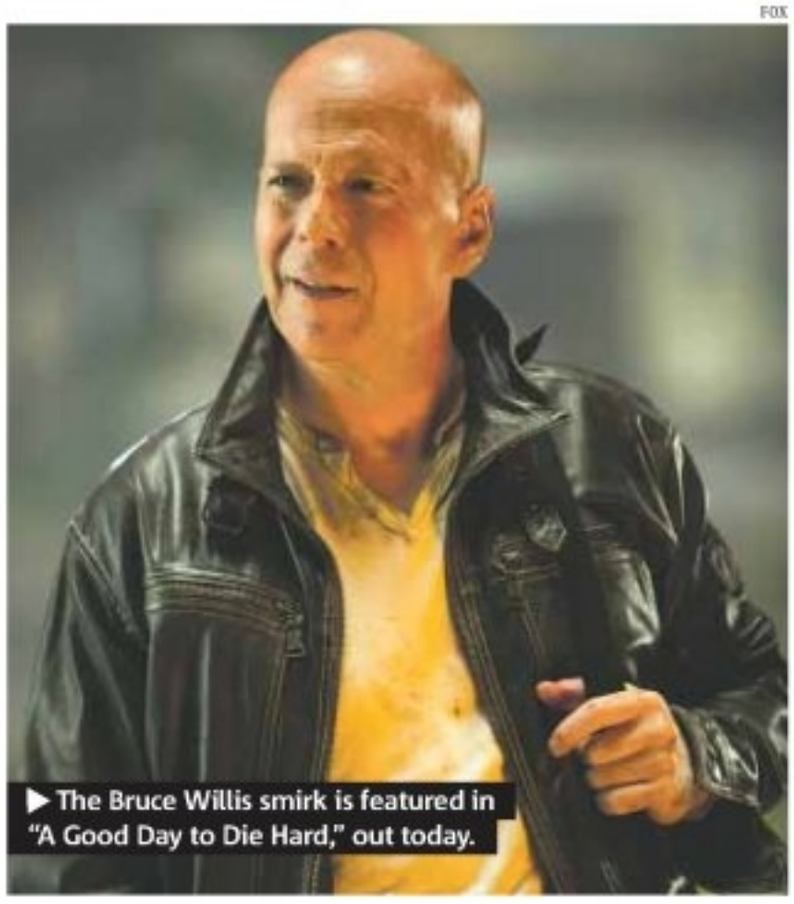

▶ The Bruce Willis smirk is featured in "A Good Day to Die Hard," out today.

Capsule review

Not so 'Beautiful'

Beautiful Creatures
Genre: Fantasy Romance
Director: Richard LaGravenese
Stars: Alice Englert
Rating: PG-13
Grade: ●●○○○
Based on a series of young-adult novels, "Beautiful Creatures" is likely aimed at the same cinematic spend-thrift crowd that turned the "Twilight" franchise into box-office alchemy. Adapting the love story between a longing, teenaged bookworm and his supernatural girlfriend with a curse, Oscar-nominated filmmaker Richard LaGravenese ("The Fisher King") clutters an ultimately simplistic story with complications that are neither all that compulsory nor compelling. It ends up anything but super or natural.

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▶ Viola Davis, Alice Englert and Alden Ehrenreich star in "Beautiful Creatures," out today.

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Iron(s) Man

The famed thespian talks about his success, never chasing a paycheck, restoring medieval castles and his euphonious voice

With more than 30 years of work in film behind him, Jeremy Irons has an impressive average for what work he's proud of. "I think I'm very happy that I've been a part of about 80 percent of what I've done," Irons says. "The other 20 percent I would not mention, certainly, because I would like them to disappear off the face of the universe. But at the time I must have done them for a reason." His latest, "Beautiful Creatures," finds Irons as the patriarch of a supernatural Southern family, based on the best-selling young adult books series. But the role he mentioned that we're really looking forward to is recording GPS directions.

▶ Jeremy Irons stars in "Beautiful Creatures," in theaters today.

JOHN BRAMLEY

An 80 percent success rate is a pretty fantastic average for an actor.

I've been lucky, yes. I think it's because I never chase the paychecks. I've always done the work that I was attracted to. I did a big project restoring an old medieval castle that was very expensive, and there were a couple of things during the middle of that where I just went off and earned some cash doing movies that I probably wouldn't have done normally.

For castle upkeep?

For castle-building, yeah. It had been derelict since 1603, so there was a lot of work needed. But normally I do work that I rate highly, you know? I get paid more or less depending on what the budget is on the movie. So I suppose that's why the average is 80 percent. It's harder for kids now, I think. When I started out in theater, I was earning 12 pounds, 10 shillings a week. I never became an actor to become rich or famous.

You have a very distinct voice. Do people often ask you to record their voicemail messages?

Sometimes, yeah. It depends how well I know them, sometimes I'll do it. What I haven't done is satnav for a car. That would probably be quite interesting. I'm not sure I'd have the patience. I'd like to give it a bit of personality, though.

The authors of "Beautiful Creatures" say they modeled your character, Macon Ravenwood, on you. Has that happened to you before?

Not that I know of, no. I mean, I get scripts sent to me where people say, ""written this with you in mind," but I never do them. People write scripts on what they've seen you play, and of course I always like playing things that are a bit unlike what I've played before.

Ned Ehrbar
METRO WORLD NEWS

Jeremy Irons: 'Die Hard' foe

Jeremy Irons' turn as Simon Gruber, the vengeful brother of Hans Gruber (Alan Rickman) in "Die Hard with a Vengeance," is one of the franchise's best villains. With the fifth "Die Hard" film out this month, we thought we'd ask Irons what he thinks makes a good bad guy for John McClane (Bruce Willis).

"It's difficult because I know when John McTiernan filmed it, he said, 'Simon Gruber is actually a much more interesting character than John McClane.' And of course that was a problem. So a lot of my stuff was cut," Irons says. "I can't remember [what was cut] now, but I remember at the time thinking, 'Oh, about a third of this is gone.'

"You have a franchise that hangs on someone like Bruce, who is wonderful. Nevertheless, the character is always doing the same sort of thing. The villain is going to be more interesting — and yet can't be because John McClane needs to be the hero. So that's a problem."

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Anthony Edwards: Back on TV in 'Zero Hour'

Actor was skeptical about making a return to his television roots, but the adventure series' 'complicated story' hooked him

When "ER" went off the air in 2008, Anthony Edwards seemed satisfied to leave television behind. "I said I would never do a one-hour television show again," Edwards says with a laugh. But the 50-year-old actor is back with "Zero Hour." So what made him return to TV?

"When 'ER' was done, I felt like I had really accomplished something. It had been an amazing eight years, and I was ready for a new adventure — which included my family and taking time and moving to New York. It really took a while to recover from that," he says. "I also knew that if I was going to come back to television, it would have to be something that was as exciting to me as what was going on there."

In "Zero Hour," Edwards stars as Hank Galliston, a skeptic who gets pulled into a conspiracy spanning the globe and history — all while trying to find his wife, who is abducted in the first episode. "What's great about him is that he gets to be you. He gets to be the audience in a lot of ways. He gets to go on this journey without knowing at all what's going on," Edwards says. "So, for me, that's a great part to play because whatever these geniuses come up with in the scripts and whatever these wonderful actors come up with, I get to react to."

But Edwards doesn't think the unknowns will be a turn-off for viewers. "I think television gets criticized for being condescending and telling stories too simply," he says. "This is going to really challenge and excite people. It's a complicated story, and that's a great commitment."

"Zero Hour" premieres Thursday at 8 p.m. on ABC.

ABC

Ned Ehrbar
METRO WORLD NEWS

'The Da Vinci Code' for TV?

The globetrotting and puzzle-solving at the heart of "Zero Hour" may give viewers "The Da Vinci Code" deja vu. But the folks behind the show insist that wasn't what they were going for.

"There were two mandates going into it, one of which was to deliver something gigantic," says the show's creator, Paul Scheuring, noting that he also didn't want to make the mistake of not knowing where the core mystery of the series would go. "Before I even put pen to paper I'm like, 'What are the last frames of this series?' So from that I reverse-engineered this larger kind of construct and threw in all those delicious elements like the Nazis and church to get to that final place. That's a long-winded way of [saying] no, it's not 'The Da Vinci Code.'"

TV watch list

'Zero Hour'

DRAMA. "ER" star Anthony Edwards returns to TV to portray a publisher who must embark on a mysterious hunt for his wife after she is kidnapped from her antique clock shop. The apocalypse, the paranormal, a treasure map and Nazis are among the show's curiosities. If that's not enough to entice you, just tune in to catch a glimpse of the former Dr. Greene back in action. **8 p.m., Series premiere, ABC**

'Glee'

MUSICAL. The New Directions members reunite to celebrate the Valentine's Day marriage of Will and Emma. Based on spoilers that have leaked and the fact that this is network television, not everything may go as planned. **9 p.m., FOX**

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9:20 a.m.
I'm running late to **Tory Burch**. A 9 a.m. show time is harsh after the grueling schedule of the last few days. Just as I arrive at the luxurious Pierre Hotel, where Tory actually lives, the show begins. I watch it standing by the door, and I'm not the only one: Joe Zee, creative director of Elle, is right beside me in the late section. Under the glow of ornate chandeliers in the hotel's ballroom, models in elegant, print-happy looks take the runway. Gustav Klimt's gilded portraits of society ladies provided the inspiration for Tory's pretty, bohemian fall outing. You see his influence in the heavy layering of patterns and textures such as a bold, floral jacquard dress worn over a wispy sparrow-print button-down. There's also a good dose of Art Nouveau flourishes, namely necklaces with sparkly dragonfly pendants. This was so worth getting up early for.
TINA CHADHA

Tory Burch

J.Crew

Steven Alan

9:45 a.m
I make my way to Lincoln Center and a model speeds past me, likely rushing to her next show. Her footwear: red and white Nike Air Jordans. Smart. TC

10 a.m.
At **Steven Alan**'s presentation a different bohemian scene unfolds, one rooted in modern-day Brooklyn. His hip working girls prefer relaxed suits with shrunken jackets and ankle-length trousers. In one standout look, a striped shirtdress peaks out below a leather skirt and is topped with a pinstriped navy jacket. I can see this outfit working for just about any office. TC

10 a.m.
The **J.Crew** presentation is so packed I can hardly move. I see Julianne Moore looking flawless without makeup, a messy bun on top of her head. Joseph Altuzarra is a few steps away, and Anna Wintour is here. J.Crew has become that kind of brand — a magnet for celebrities, editors and fashion insiders that is still huge with the mainstream. KENYA HUNT

"I love what Jenna [Lyons] does. I think it's so innovative and fresh and colorful — and hard to do. I mean, honestly, it's hard to mix this stuff and pull it off. And she always does."
JULIANNE MOORE AT J.CREW

10:20 a.m.
Creatively, this collection nudges their trademark whimsical take on sportswear forward. The press notes explain that it was inspired by women's wear designer Tom Mora's vacation in Marrakech, particularly the bold, saturated colors, exotic prints and shiny tile work found around the city and its souks. That means lots of lush print-mixing, embroidery and beading — all signatures the women's line has become known for. The workmanship on pieces such as a merino tee embroidered with hand-drawn Moroccan rug-style graphics and a

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camel herringbone coat embellished with chunky crystals along the lapel look as strong as many of the things I've seen in Milan. KH

Noon
All the cool kids are at the **Rodarte** show. And the godmother of them all, Kim Gordon, is sitting front row. On the other side of the room, Anna dello Russo is holding court in Prada's furry coat of the season and geisha-girl flatforms. One editor says, "She looks like a Japanese cloud." KH

12:20 p.m.
Sex and rock 'n' roll don't exactly come to mind when thinking of Rodarte, so I'm surprised to see naked hip bones winking at me from underneath uber-high-cut bodysuits worn with low-rise trousers — Guns and Roses video girl style. On other looks, angel wings embroidered on silk wrap around torsos like tramp stamps. The sweeping finale gowns come tie-dyed. One of them has a see-through bodice embellished with roses. The clothes are a bit weird and all over the place, much like what you'd see in their hometown, Santa Cruz, which the collection is inspired by. And in an even weirder way, it works. KH

5:20 p.m.
Sophie Theallet knows a woman's body. She creates clothes that subtly accent it — even her boxy coats can't resist a slight curve. And so I'm impressed that the models walking her show right now aren't of the toothpick variety: These are easily the most "real" looking girls I've seen so far. The clothes are real and practical, too: full knee-length skirts worn with contrasting shrunken sweaters and cocktail dresses for when a girl's got to let her hair down. But it's her closing series of gowns, covered up in the front and then — bam! — completely open in the back, that stun. TC

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Lower the expectations of the day Be honest but keep an open mind Express your love

There are plenty of people out there who are hoping the day of hearts will bring them the gift they want most. It is a day full of wishes, red-wrapped gifts, candy hearts and — whether you like it or not — occasional disappointment.

There is so much expectation wrapped into this one special day because we attach our significant other's love to the gift they give us. Sometimes, that all-important item you are hoping for just isn't sitting in the tissue paper when you open the box. So if you don't get the present you were expecting, or if you don't like the one you got, what can you do? Most importantly, how can you get through the day feeling better and not worse about the one you love?

This one 24-hour period carries a lot of weight for couples. Some people deal with that pressure by choosing to play it down. Maybe they are a nonconformist, or feel they don't need a holiday to show their love. If that's the case, try to talk about it to see where your valentine is coming from so you can better understand it.

If you are given something you don't like, thank your partner graciously but see if there is the option of taking it back. If there is, explain why you might like something else — what's in the box is too dressy or too bright — and then invite them along to choose something else. Use it as an opportunity to teach them about your tastes. If there is no chance for a return or exchange, be receptive. If your loved one likes the gift they gave, try to be open to their taste and you might expand your own horizons.

The most important thing to keep in mind is that Valentine's Day is to express your love, whether or not your partner's generosity is packaged quite the way you had hoped. No matter what you receive, remember that it's still carrying love and you will appreciate it more — and so will your Valentine.

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Valentine's Day

How to order wine

Just as important as the food you and your honey will enjoy this Valentine's Day is the wine that accompanies it. We tapped Greg Majors, the beverage director at NYC's Craft restaurant, to give us some tips on how to choose your bottle — plus, some ideas for wines that woo.

When ordering wine, it's key to specify the following:

The weight of the wine (light, medium, full bodies)

- "Light whites like sauvignon blancs and rieslings pair well with first courses like salads and crudo."
- "Fuller whites like roussanne and oaked chardonnay do well with denser, meaty fish and chicken."
- "Light reds like pinot noir and cabernet franc [go] with game birds and grilled fish."
- "Medium and fuller reds like malbec, grenache and nebbiolo do well with braised meats, stews and roasted meats that have some marbling or fat."

▶ Greg Majors knows his stuff.

Flavors: Wines have different acidity levels, oak flavors, minerality, tannins and fruit notes.

Country of origin: "Country of origin helps me to understand what direction to take them [in]," Majors says. "If someone wants a riesling from Austria as opposed to Germany, then chances are the person prefers something dry. If someone prefers French pinot over domestic, then I would assume they like their pinots without as much ripe fruit."

Fine wines

Franciacorta Brut Rosé, Cavalleri, 2006, Lombardy, Italy
"Rosé is an obvious choice for Valentine's Day, yet what I enjoy is that sparking wine from Franciacorta is many times just as good, if not better, than wines coming out of Champagne, when you factor in the wine's price tag."

Barolo, La Spinetta, 2008, Piedmont, Italy
" You might spend a bit more for this wine, but Nebbiolo display youthful notes of cherries, strawberries and fresh rose petals — all appropriate aromas and flavors for a V-Day dinner."

Riesling, Dr. Loosen, "Eiswein," 2007, Mosel, Germany
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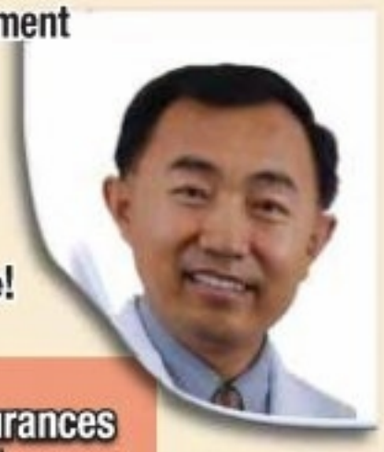
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10 REASONS TO SEE A MOVIE

1 'A Good Day to Die Hard' Bruce Willis reprises his role as John McClane in the fifth installment of the "Die Hard" franchise. McClane travels to Russia to meet his son, who just got released from prison, and the two get caught up in the middle of a dangerous terrorist plot.

3 'Beautiful Creatures' Alden Ehrenreich and Alice Englert star as young lovers fighting against the odds in a small, Southern town. Their love is jeopardized when Englert must fight the evil powers threatening to take over her future in this supernatural love story.

4 'Escape From Planet Earth' When alien astronaut Scorch is trapped while responding to an SOS call from planet Earth, a team of his fellow aliens band together to rescue him from the treacherous planet in this animated film.

5 'Identity Thief' Jason Bateman stars as a straightlaced businessman determined to take his identity back from an unsuspecting con artist, played by the always-funny Melissa McCarthy in this comedy.

6 'Side Effects' Rooney Mara plays a deeply disturbed woman who has trouble coping with the release of her husband from prison. Mara joins an all-star cast including Jude Law, Channing Tatum and Catherine Zeta-Jones in this, the last theatrical film directed by Steven Soderbergh, who, at 50, is now retired.

7 'Warm Bodies' Nicholas Hoult and Teresa Palmer make for an unusual pair in this zom-rom-com. The two stars battle for survival and long for human companionship in the latest from Jonathan Levine ("50/50").

8 'Bullet to the Head' Sylvester Stallone and Sung Kang take on vicious enemies in this thriller, directed by the great Walter Hill ("The Warriors").

9 'Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters' She is best known for saying things like "It was fated by the gods" in "Prince of Persia" and "Clash of the Titans." He is best known for busting heads open in "The Bourne Legacy" and "The Avengers." Together, Gemma Arterton and Jeremy Renner are the bounty-hunting, witch-slaying sibling team.

10 'Parker' Jason Statham as a badass action hero? No way! This time Jennifer Lopez adds set dressing to his shtick. Taylor Hackford ("Ray") directs, based on Richard Stark's beloved "Parker" novels.

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Must-see

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▶ Josh Duhamel and Julianne Hough frolic in "Safe Haven," out today.

2 'Safe Haven' Julianne Hough and Josh Duhamel star as a mysterious woman and a suffering widower who fall in love despite the secrets that haunt their pasts in this new romantic thriller (seriously — that's what they're calling it).

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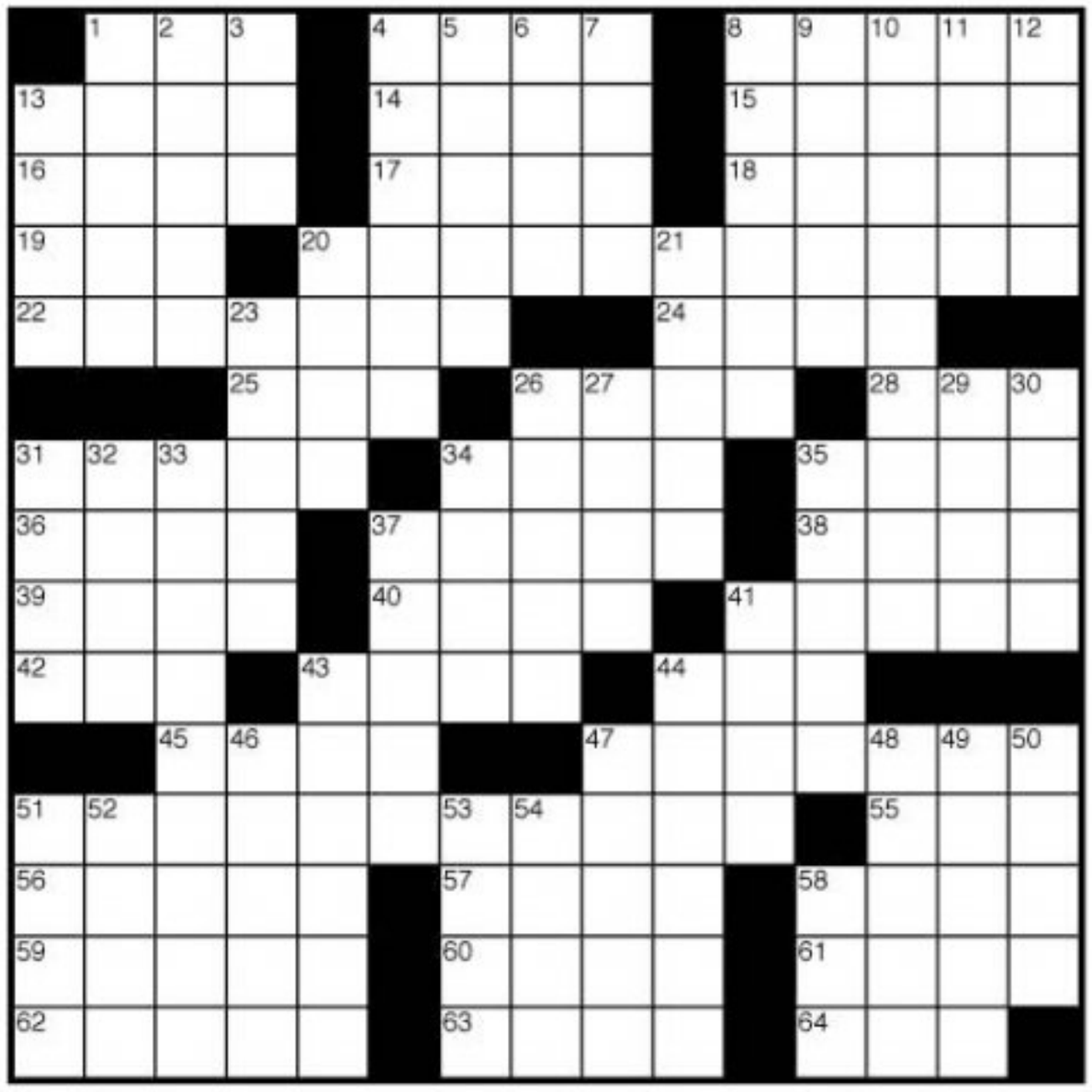

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Horoscope

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** You always require a degree of independence and freedom in life, so don't hem yourself in with a tight itinerary. Leave plenty of room for impromptu developments.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** There is a good possibility that you will collect payment on an old loan that you had completely written off. If this should occur, be appreciative without overdoing it.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Challenging conditions are more likely to stimulate your positive qualities than negative ones. Success makes you feel like a winner.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** A friend for whom you did a favor will find an opportunity to repay you. Your pal will step to the plate without being asked.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** It's to your benefit to study the successful procedures of an associate. You're likely to discover some new tactics that you could put to good use.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Resistance you are facing on a major project can be alleviated if you just make a few tweaks. Once these are implemented, you can go forward with alacrity and aplomb.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** Be sure that what you do at work also produces benefits for your coworkers. They, in turn, will be more responsive to your needs and requests. Remember, one hand washes the other.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** Work on an endeavor that can either be updated or transformed into something far more useful. The rewards for doing so will be larger than you think.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** What cannot be accomplished on your own can be achieved through a strong team effort. The secret is picking the right helpers who'll stay with the project until the end.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** In order to feel gratified, you need to get involved in something that you can see through to its completion. Only then will you feel like you're putting your time to good use.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Participating in some kind of activity that is unrelated to your workaday world could do wonders to refurbish your outlook on life. Find something different to do that you'll enjoy.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Don't be afraid to spend a little of your funds in hopes of future gain, because in order to make more of anything, including money, it is necessary to prime the pump.

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Solution to yesterday's crossword

Letters

The hands only act as the heart instructs

RE: "US: RICH IN GUNS, POOR IN ANSWERS" (METRO, FEB. 12) Letter writer Shifra Freewoman seems to believe guns, the objects, are to blame for violence.

What ever happened to personal responsibility? Our country has a long history involving the right to bear arms and these crazy mass shootings did not happen. People need to stop and think of the real contributing factors, such as violent movies and video games that young children are exposed to and the growing mental health crisis.

If guns are banned, you'll be reading about mass slashings which happens in China where guns are banned — or growing incidents of acid throwing like in the Middle East.

Ms. Freewoman, it comes down to what's in the heart, not the hand. People who wish to inflict violence and pain will always find a way.

The statistics of violence from bats and hammers in the U.S. are just as high, if not higher! Let's take a look at the real issues inside the person.

REBECCA BELLISARIO, VIA E-MAIL

Not even trumpets of the Second Coming will revive religious fervor

As a lifelong Catholic, I neither celebrate nor condemn Benedict's resignation, given Mother Church ceased to play any meaningful role in my life over 30 years ago.

The next pope will have to confront the Church's pedophilia cover-ups, its ever-growing financial scandals and the simple reality the Vatican lost its moral and temporal authority over its flock long ago.

Nothing — not the election of a black pope, allowing women into the priesthood, not even the Second Coming itself — can hope change this.

JOSEPH CONNELL, VIA E-MAIL

IOC knows which sports are the real tests of athletics

The International Olympic Committee voted to eliminate Wrestling from the 2020 Summer Games. And rightly so! After all, they need to make room for "real sports" like bowling, golf, darts and bocce. God forbid they should get rid of yachting.

ROBERT LA ROSA, VIA E-MAIL

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Halladay healthy, hopes to stick with the Phillies

Ace updates media on injuries at spring training Pitcher coming off disappointing 2012 Contract extension coming?

The debate is already raging about whether Roy Halladay or Cole Hamels should start Opening Day for the Phillies.

Halladay, long regarded as the ace of aces on a deep staff, is coming off a disappointing 2012 season in which he battled shoulder tightness and a bad back. He went 11-8 with a 4.49 ERA — his highest ERA since 2000.

Halladay, speaking for the first time this season, tried to alleviate fears yesterday after the team's first official workout.

"I feel like the things we've done this winter have made a big difference," Halladay told reporters in Florida. "There is no such thing as a crystal ball, but I'm confident that if I can maintain the way I feel right now that I'm going to be effective."

It will be interesting to see if the old Halladay is indeed back. Hamels was the unquestioned ace last season as the lefty went 17-6 with a 3.05 ERA — and Halladay struggled with his velocity. Hopefully that is all in the past.

"I feel as good now as I have in any other spring training," Halladay said. "Last year, it's not that I felt bad — it just never seemed to click for me."

The other big question is Halladay's future in Philadelphia. The pitcher is a free agent after this season. So far, he has not talked to the Phillies about a contract extension, and doesn't plan to in the immediate future. But if it was up to Halladay, who turns 36 in May, he wouldn't go anywhere else.

"If I had my druthers I would be here until I'm done," he said. "I don't want to play anywhere else."

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▶ Halladay went 11-8 with a 4.49 ERA last season. Will he get the Opening Day start over Hamels?

Good advice?

Halladay also got a little advice from Chase Utley as he attempts to bounce back in 2013.

"Chase suggested drilling a few guys this year, so I might mix that in," said Halladay.

In the news

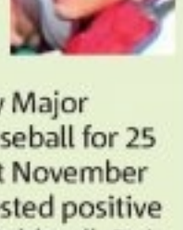
Kentucky's Noel out for season

The possible No. 1 pick in this year's NBA Draft has played his last game this season.

Nerlens Noel, the No. 1 recruit this past season, tore his ACL Tuesday night in a game against Florida. He will require season-ending surgery. Noel was averaging 10.5 points, 9.5 rebounds and 4.4 blocks per game.

Ruiz addresses Adderall usage for first time

Roy Halladay's favorite person, Carlos Ruiz, held court — albeit briefly — with reporters, too.



The Phillies' catcher was suspended by Major League Baseball for 25 games last November after he tested positive for using Adderall. Ruiz is allowed to participate in spring training games but must sit to start the regular season. He spoke for the first time since being punished.

"First, I apologize to my organization, the fans, my teammates, my whole family," Ruiz said. "I feel so bad. I'm trying to put everything behind [me] and do my best this year. For me, it's hard, man. I leave my team for 25 games, but I want to play. At the same time, I feel like they support me. I have a lot of good friends. I'm ready to come back and do my best."

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Eagles hire Gamble to assist Roseman

Maybe Jeff Lurie and the Eagles aren't as high on Howie Roseman as previously thought.

The team announced yesterday that it had hired Tom Gamble as vice president of player personnel. Gamble, whom the Eagles pursued last season, will serve under Roseman and head the college and pro scouting departments. Basically, he is Roseman's right-hand man in the front office.

"He's got extensive experience both in college and on the pro side," Roseman said in a conference call. "He's been on the road, developing relationships with people at college campuses across the country. He's also been in the office. He's been part of successful winning organizations."

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▶ Roseman hand-picked Gamble to replace Ryan Grigson, but could the Eagles GM be in trouble?

Gamble spent the last eight seasons in San Francisco, including the past two years as director of player personnel. He oversaw 18 combined Pro Bowl selections, while the 49ers reached the Super Bowl in 2012.

"I would like to thank Tom for his hard work, dedication and loyalty over the past eight seasons," said 49ers GM Trent Baalke. "He has played an instrumental role within our personnel department and is a true professional in every sense of the word."

Gamble's hiring is a homecoming of sorts, as he spent four years with the Eagles as an assistant in the player personnel department. His father, Harry Gamble, served as Eagles president under Buddy Ryan.

Gamble's vast experience at evaluating talent, something Roseman lacks, indicates that he was brought here to be more than just a pretty face. He will have input.

"I'm excited to get him next door and be connected to his office, and go from there," Roseman said.

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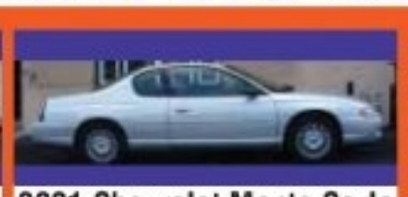
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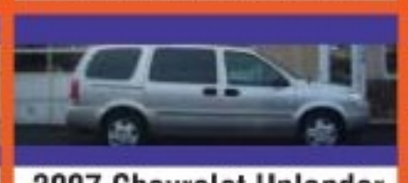
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▶ McGinn scored the game-winner Tuesday night.

Flyers' McGinn impressing the coaching staff, his teammates

- Rookie fights, scores, checks
- Flyers in New Jersey on Fri.

Tye McGinn got his shot and he's running with it.

The rookie is proving to be a valuable asset to the Flyers despite being called up just a few weeks ago. McGinn already has three goals and two assists (5 points) in just 11 games.

On Tuesday night, the humble McGinn won a fight and scored the eventual game-winning goal in a 3-2 win over Winnipeg.

"It's coming along, just trying to do my best and play each game like it's my last," McGinn said. "Work hard when I'm out there — you know, it's the NHL, so you can't get too comfortable."

Maybe he's not getting too comfortable, but his coach is getting used to having him in the lineup.

"He's been such a nice addition to our lineup," said Peter Laviolette. "He's big, he's strong, he finishes his checks, he fights once in awhile, scores goals, sticks up for his teammates — all things you look for when a kid comes up, all positive contributions to our lineup." METRO

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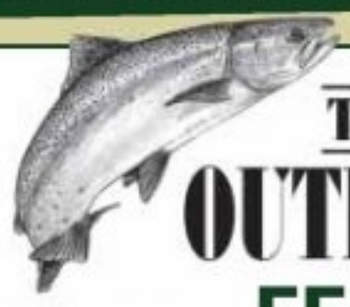

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AFTER THE HYPE

Sleepers come in all shapes and sizes. Rookies and players moving to a friendlier ballpark are where most people look. They often ignore the post-hype sleepers.

Most prospects don't just step into the league and start mashing like **Mike Trout** or **Buster Posey**. The majority are like **Alex Gordon**, who didn't "get it" until his fifth season in the bigs. Here are some sleeper candidates to turn the corner in 2013:

ALL PHOTOS: GETTY IMAGES

▶ Eric Hosmer was considered one of baseball's best young players before last year's flop.

Snake dump

It was surprising that the Diamondbacks gave up on **Trevor Bauer** after just four big-league starts, dumping him on the Indians. Fantasy owners shouldn't be as rash. Bauer is a near lock to win a rotation spot and still has tons of upside at age 21. His minor league numbers are outrageous.

Lots of Hosmer

Eric Hosmer's perceived value is going to be deflated after last year's painful flop. We can blame the setback on a combination of growing pains, rotator cuff issues and bad luck on balls he put in play. Now we're set up to steal him this year as a true breakout candidate — part two.

You said it

Yankee fans expected **Jesus Montero** to be, well, Jesus. He never really got a chance to make it happen before getting banished to Seattle. Now the Mariners have moved the fence in and Montero has a year under his belt while facing lowered expectations.

Top hoops adds

1 **Jonas Valanciunas, C, TOR** — Now healthy, this Lithuanian rookie is locked into the starting gig. Plenty of blocks and boards.

2 **Taj Gibson, PF, CHI** — He's worth owning through next week's deadline just in case Carlos Boozer gets traded.

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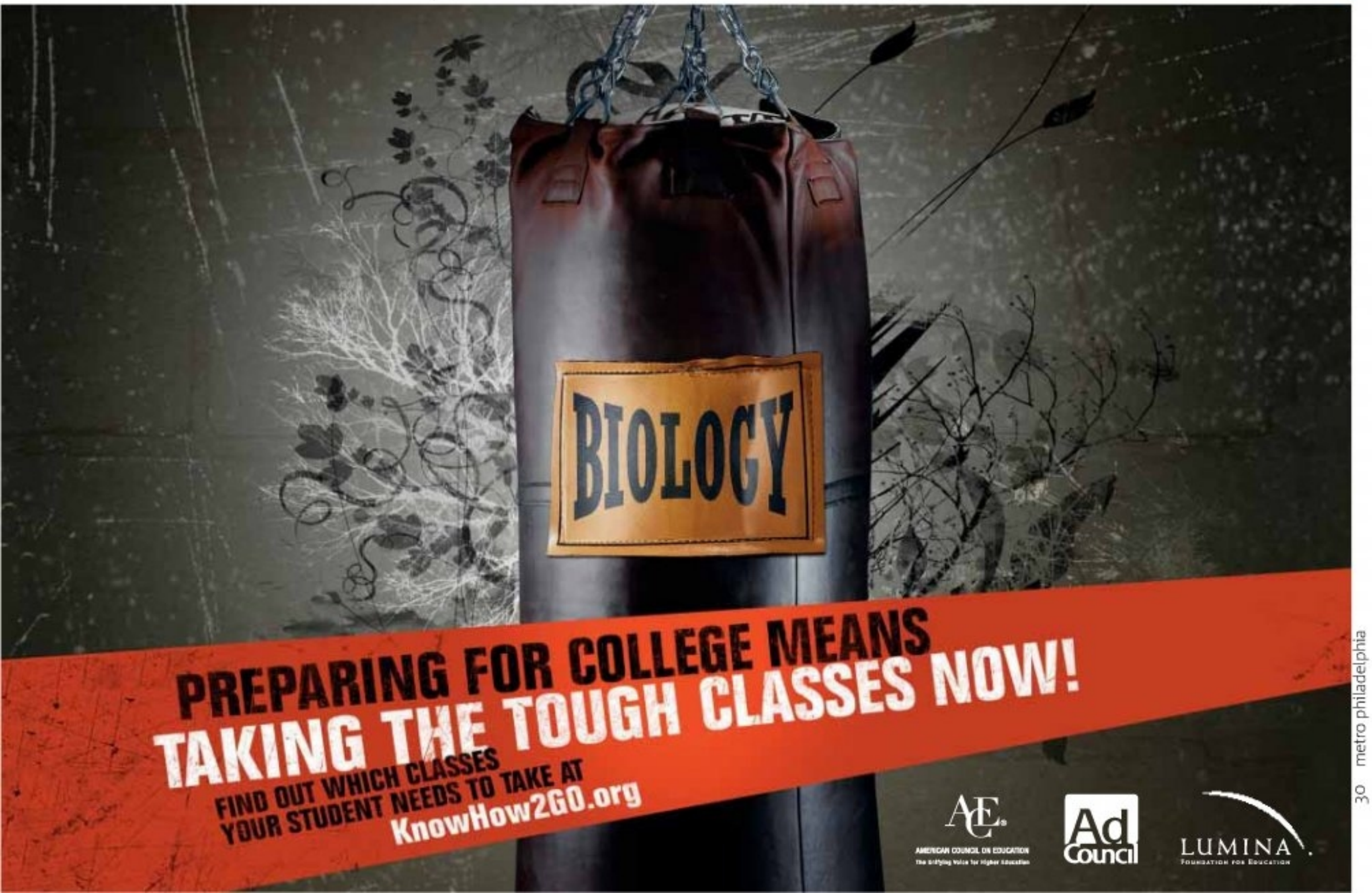

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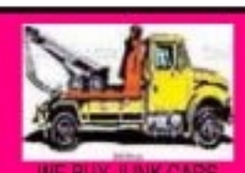

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